

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."

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## What Meaneth These Things

S. J. Heath

As we read after the scientists and other so called great writers, and of the wonderful discoveries they are making, if it were not for our Bible we would hardly know whether we came from a monkey or baboon. We would also doubt the Divinity of Jesus, but in the midst of all the reasoning that science may bring forth, the dear old Word of God comes forth in the midst of all with such profound truth and dazzling light that even the greatest skeptics cannot bridge the gulf God has placed between truth and infidelity. The Word of God even throws its glittering rays upon the skeptic and brands them as false teachers, that are to come in the last days.

Revealed prophecy, unfolding its pages day by day, forces itself upon this world as God's eternal truth, and as we see its inspired pages unfolding themselves, in nature alone, it seems every false teacher ought to bow his head as God's Word is being demonstrated with such power and light, that all skepticism is being made manifest. Even Scripture itself reveals this that will be done in the last days.

As we find so many things these days to deceive and mislead we would be perplexed and scarcely know what to believe and what to expect if it were not for the old Word of God, but we thank God that its pages have shone with radiant light along the pathway until we can see through to the glory world.

The sure word of prophecy given us by holy men, as they were moved by the Holy Ghost are fingers of God pointing us to the dangers along our pilgrimage to the city of gold, and giving us courage and boldness that we may pass them without fear as long as we are in the way of holiness. As we ride in cars and on railroad trains, see the hills brought down, the valleys raised and the crooked made straight, men toiling daily spending their time and life at these avocations; many times I am amused as I think how little they realize what it means and that they are making preparation for the soon coming of the Lord. Then I think if they could only get a glimpse of God's eternal truth and believe, they would no longer make monkeys of themselves.

We thank our great God today that we can face the frowning world that is in confusion, men running to and fro in the earth wondering what is coming next, and sit calmly down and rejoice as we lift our heads, for we know that our redemption draweth nigh. Our hearts have been made to rejoice this year as we have traveled over some of the country, and many times prophecy has so vividly unfolded itself that I said, "Wife look out upon the fields, the forest, the streams of water, the perplexity of the beasts of the field; and let Joel the prophet speak to us. What do you see in these wasted fields; what do you see in these dry grape vines; what do you see in so many dying trees? Farmers have planted seed and they tell us they have not come forth but rotted under clods; their garners are desolate in many places: the corn is withered; herds of cattle are perplexed; flocks of sheep are desolate; what is the matter with them? Why wife, don't you see the fire has destroyed their pasture? Look at those great forests, how the trees are dying. Did you ever see it that way before?"

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## "Come, Behold the Works of the Lord"



Are you represented in this picture? If not, you should have been, the Assembly was simply great. It was the greatest in attendance of any Assembly of the Church of God up to the present time. This picture does not represent the entire attendance, the basement was full, also there were many out in town for lunch, but this will give you a little insight to something of the immensity of the occasion.

## Brother Alvin and Brother Ichabod Meet

F. J. Lee

"Good mornin', hain't this Doctor Alvin?" said a homely looking man to an honorable looking gentleman who was just returning to his home from a pastoral call on his parishioners.

"This is James Alvin," said the honorable looking gentleman, "I would rather not be called Doctor Alvin, because I don't think that God is pleased in our accepting titles. He rebuked the Pharisees for receiving titles to their names. If I should permit D. D. to be used in connection with my name I think that it would be to indicate that I cast out devils, and it would stand for 'devil driver,' yet I could not afford to receive any honor for that." "Excuse me Brother Alvin," said the homely man, "I didn't know how you're lookin' at titles, I'll be keerful next time how I speak ter you, I'll jist call you, Reverent Alvin from now on." "No," said Brother Alvin, "I would rather not have you use the title 'reverend' because the Scripture doesn't say, reverend is Alvin's name, but it does say in reference to the Lord, 'Reverend is his name.' And I feel that we should not apply to our names the title that applies only to God."

"Well Brother Alvin!" said the homely man, "You beat all that I have ever seed, you a fine lookin' man and been preachin' for many years and have a great influence in this city, but you won't allow yourself called doctor nor reverent. Don't you sign your name reverent on your letters when you write?" "No sir," said Brother Alvin, "I try to stay on a plain with the

members of my flock, then beside this I'm sure that God is not pleased in our taking to ourselves special titles. Elihu says, 'Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me give flattering titles unto men.'

For I know not to give flattering titles; in so doing my maker would soon take me away." Speaking of the self righteous Jews, Jesus said that they loved to receive greetings in the markets, and to be called Rabbi, Rabbi. Jesus further said, 'Be not ye called Rabbi, one is your Master, even Christ.'

Neither be ye called masters."

"He that is greatest among you shall be your servant." "And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted." "Where do you find these statements Brother Alvin?" said the homely man, "You may find them recorded in Matt. 23," said Brother Alvin. "Well brother, you've got me kind a stirred up," said the homely man, "every body calls me reverent when they write to me, le' me show you." (He takes an addressed envelope from his pocket). Brother Alvin reads, "Rev. Tom Ichabod." "And this is your name," said Brother Alvin, "and how did they know that you was reverent?" "I told 'em," said Rev. Ichabod. "I didn't think they would ever know I's a preacher unless I told 'em." "I wonder how the world found out that Paul was a minister of the gospel," said Brother Alvin, "he never signed his name Rev. Paul or Dr. Paul. Neither did

Dr. Peter, but it was just plain old Paul and Peter."

"Well Brother Alvin I would like to know what Church you belong to, since your members don't call you doctor nor reverent," said Rev. Ichabod. "Well Brother, I'm glad to tell you that I am a member of the same church, to which Paul addressed all his letters," said Brother Alvin. "What's that?" asked Rev. Ichabod. "The Church of God," said Brother Alvin. "What! you belong to the Church of God? Why I used ter belong to hit," said Rev. Ichabod, "but I hain't belonged for several years, and I don't know that I will ever belong to them agin." "What is your objection to the Church of God, Brother Ichabod? Jesus loved her, and Paul loved her, and felt very badly because he had persecuted the Church of God and wasted it," said Brother Alvin, "I know that's so," said Rev. Ichabod, "but I just thought I would have a better showin' among some other denomination, they held me down until I knowed I never would be exalted to any honors, but when I went to the—"

—they put a handle to my name at once, more'n that, they ordained me and called me "Elder." I never would a got to bin a elder in the Church of God. More'n that they wanted me to pay tithes on my offerin's and send 'em to Headquarters and make a report every month. Whose business is it what I do? So I decided that this is a free country and the Bible said for us to be free and I's goin' to take it at its word. If they'd showed any signs of lettin' the people know that I was a preacher, I might a done some of the things they said. They had it in for me and when they would answer my letters they put it just plain old Tom Ichabod, they never suspected, I mean respected me a bit, that's the reason I haint goin' to report to Headquarters nor send them tithes of my offerin's. If they'd ever talked like makin' a

elder out of me, either a seventy or a twelve, I might a fell in line especially to be a twelve."

"Well Brother," said Brother Alvin, "I am pastoring a good church and also am recognized as one of the seventy elders. My service has been in demand ever since I have been a minister in the Church of God. I have not electioneered for positions, neither have I aspired to high places above my ability, but have been continually applying myself to the Word, and with this I have tried to be prayerful, humble, gentle and kind to all men, showing forth love in all my dealings with the children of men, beside being faithful to men I have been faithful to God and His Church."

Since God is honoring the Church of God as He is, I am afraid to rebel against her teachings and perch myself up against the teachings of the whole Assembly. This is why God is blessing me as He is, this is why the people love me; this is why the leading officials love and trust me and put me forward in responsible positions."

"I have wondered," said Rev. Ichabod, "how some men seem to advance and get good places, it must be the name has something to do with it." "That is true, Brother Ichabod," said Brother Alvin. "And we get our name by the way we act, let us compare our names. My name is Alvin, which means, 'Beloved by all the people.' I thank God for my name and I received it by doing right. Now let us examine your name, 'Ichabod.' This means, 'The glory has departed.' Now Brother, I remember when I filled out my questionnaire for the ministry I promised to pay tithes and submit to the wise instructions of those over me, when I did that the glory of the Lord was with me, and it has continued with me to this date, this is why I am succeeding. I will say again I am glad that my name is just

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## Wants To Return To The Church

Carbon Hill, Ala.  
Nov. 5, 1925.

Mr. F. J. Lee,  
Cleveland, Tenn.

Dear Brother Lee:

I suppose you will be surprised to hear from me and especially of what I want to say in this letter. Brother Lee I hardly know how to begin as I'm afraid you will doubt my honesty, the way I have done in the past, but I trust that God will help you to feel the reality of my heart as you read this.

I have done wrong and I am afraid you and the Church of God can't forgive me for the wrong, but I beg that you all will please forgive me and let me come back to the Church and try me just once more. I am sorry of everything I have said and done to hurt the cause or any individual's influence, and I beg that the Church will forgive me and let me come back once more, and if you want to you can put this in the paper, then if there is a man or woman any where that I have wronged and they read this and will write me I will make everything right, altho I don't know of one that I have mistreated more than another but what is already fixed, only some one might not feel good toward me, but all these that I can think of I will write to them at once and ask them to forgive me for the wrong I have done to them.

This has been a miserable week to me, such as I pray God I may never have again. It is like this, I came to Carbon Hill, where I set a Church of God in order in 1919 and started a revival, and God did bless us and 4 received the Holy Ghost, and about fourteen of the old members came and joined in with me and did all they could for the meeting while the rest of the Church would not come. After our meeting was over I began to look for a place to have our regular services and found it fixed up real nice, but somehow I could never organize a church or ask any to join anything, but my heart began to ache and the longer, the worse, until I began to talk to my people about it, and I found that they were feeling just about as I was feeling. We had good crowds and everything looked good for us. The boys and men had signed a list to be cut two dollars each on the month and let it be cut at the Galloway Coal Co. office, for my support; all this looked good, but my heart hurt worse all the time, and I decided that before I would go over the country and cause splits in the Church of God I would quit the work and get me another job.

Now Brother Lee I want back in the Church and all these members that have been standing with me here are going back to the church. Now can you and Brother Llewellyn and all the Church of God forgive me and let me come back? I promise you and call God to be my witness that I will never again be disloyal but I will pull and push and do all in my power from this time on for the Church.

I am going to Pratt City Saturday to see Brother Ellis and fix up with him, I know I have done wrong but I know I am ready to make the wrong right as far as I can, and when I do this I know you all will have to forgive me. Now this is all I know to do, Brother Lee, and I want to know at once if you all will accept me back again. I want to work in Ala. if I can get this all fixed up, so please give this your attention at once as I am just waiting for a reply, and if you will accept this letter

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We will do our best to keep from making mistakes, but if we make a mistake we will take pleasure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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We are glad to announce the

completion of the Minutes of

the 20th Annual Assembly of

the Churches of God, which

convened in this city October

19-25 inclusive. A number of

our ministers have urged us to

rush the Minutes through at the

earliest date possible and this

we have done, breaking all pre-

vious records; the first one be-

ing completed on November 13.

This is one of the best Minutes

we have ever published. It is

printed on 50 pound book pa-

per, neatly bound, title well dis-

played. This is not only a min-

ute or record of the Assembly,

but contains much more good

readable matter that will be

appreciated by our people. It

was admitted by those who were

in attendance, that this was by

far the greatest Assembly in the

history of the Church.

Send for a good supply of

these Minutes and place them in

every home possible. They

contain much valuable informa-

tion. Price \$.25.

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The local Bible Training

School is moving on fine. The

prospects bid fair for a very

successful session. There is a

great number of students in at-

tendance and enjoying the

school. Some of them are mak-

ing great sacrifice to attend the

school. They have given up their

position at home, come here

to receive training for their

life's work for the Lord and His

Church. Some are trusting the

Lord for their expenses through

the school. It would be well for

some of our people who have

money or supplies to spare to

contribute to the training of

some of these noble young men

and women. The Chesser and

Baldree String Band who

worked in Texas last year, Flor-

ida the year before are doing

light house keeping at 2217

Peoples Street of this city. Some

have requested their street ad-

dress for this purpose. Any as-

sistance sent through this office

for any of the students will be

carefully handled according to

your request.

—o—

The list of correspondence

appearing elsewhere in this

issue by Luther A. Richard is

published at his suggestion and

is not intended for any reflection

on any individual but only for

information to our readers. We

have nothing in our hearts but

love and sympathy for all.

—o—

Today God is calling, hungry

hearts are calling, millions are

sinking down in the night and

blight of sin, going to Christless

graves. Who will say? "Here

am I, send me."

—o—

The story is told of one

church where a brother was in

desperate circumstances. There

was an appointed prayer meet-

ing at his house. While the

prayers were going up, some

young fellow opened the door

and astonished the gathering

friends by saying: "Father sent

his prayers, and they are out in

the wagon." And so it was. The

wagon had all the poor man

needed. Our sick and needy

brethren need more than our

sympathy and our prayers, they

need our help.

## NOTICES

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—I certainly can thank the Lord for saving my soul about twenty-five years ago. He sanctified and baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost with Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance; later on I joined the Church of God.

I love the Lord and could not live without Him. He has done so much for me, for which I give Him praise.

It is truly wonderful how the dear Lord can take a soul deep in sin and cleanse and make him white as snow.

It certainly was a great feast to my soul to read of the Assembly at Cleveland, Tennessee. I would like to hear from the saints at St. Louis, Mo. who are members of the Church of God with Headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn., as I am a stranger here; have only been here a few weeks. I feel sure the Church of God people have a place to worship, therefore, I would like to get in touch with some of them, that I may attend service.—Mrs. Emma Zimmer, 2728 Allen Ave., St. Louis, Missouri.

## South Carolina Ministers

To the ministers of South Carolina who expect to do pastoral work in the State, please let me hear from you at once. Also the churches which have no pastor yet, please let me hear from you and state who you want for pastor.

E. M. Ellis, Overseer of South Carolina, Rt. 6, Greenville, S. C.

To the Churches of God in Ark.

As I have the honor of being reappointed to fill the position as Overseer of the Churches of God in the State of Ark., for the coming year, I want to say that I sincerely hope that the same sweet fellowship and harmony will prevail among us during the coming year that has existed between us in the past year. I now have my car and we will make our way to each one of you as soon as possible and we feel sure that we can render you much better service this year than we did last year.

To the preachers I want to say, it is absolutely a test of

preachship to refuse to pay

tithes of your offerings to Head-

quarters every month and also

pay tithes of your income into

the local church treasury. So if

you want license this year be

sure and pay your tithes, but if

you do not believe in tithing,

please do not apply for license.

So with much love to all and

hoping to see you all soon, I re-

main,

Your servant and Overseer,

J. M. Viney, Haynes, Ark.

To the Churches of God in West

Virginia—Greetings in the

precious name of Jesus:

Well we are beginning a new

year for the Lord, and I hope

everyone is full of zeal, and

have already made up your mind

to do more for Him this year

than you have ever done before.

I have some of the work ar-

ranged, and some I have not

been able to get to yet on the

account of sickness. I have

been having a test in my body

for about a month, and am not

strong yet. All please pray that

the Lord will restore my health

completely. Now in arranging

the work, and appointing the

ministers, I have done the very

best I could under the circum-

stances, and hope everyone will

co-operate with one another,

and have one special motive in

view, and let that be the salva-

tion of souls. So if we want a

successful year for the Lord we

must all do our part faithfully,

and that will include: singing,

praying, testifying, paying our

tithes, giving offerings, etc. And

if we have the burden of souls

on our hearts as we should have

we will strive to do these things.

Now I intend to get the other

work arranged as soon as pos-

sible, so I hope everyone will be

patient with me, and pray that

the Lord will be honored in all

we do.

Yours for the Church of God,

H. N. Scoggins, State Overseer.

## To the Georgia Churches

We notice that some of the churches in Georgia are failing to report monthly as requested by the Assembly, also I notice they want pastors. Now I want to say that possibly if you would pay your tithes, give offerings, make your reports regular etc., and thus prove yourselves faithful, no doubt you would be blest more, for the faithful man is promised to abound with blessings, and while you would be blest for your faithfulness, no doubt among the other blessings, you would be blest with a pastor for your church.

Dear ones, we are not only commanded to pay our tithes to be blest, but concerning giving, the Word says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive. Give and it shall be given. God loves the cheerful giver etc." I want to reap the benefit of these good promises, don't you?

Yours for the blessings of

God,

Overseer of Georgia.

We the Church of God at

Shady Grove, near Lepanto,

Ark. would like to know the

whereabouts and spiritual con-

dition of the following mem-

bers: Myrtle Hamly, Etna Ham-

ly, Mina Hamly, Birdie Walker,

C. H. Walker.

A. P. McEllyea, (Clerk.)

Bx. 424, Lepanto, Ark.

I want a Church of God man

to make a cotton crop; a one

horse share crop. One hundred

yards from the Church of God

church.

J. J. Wilburn,

Rt. 5, Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

## IN MEMORY OF

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

## LAFLEUR

On September 30, 1925 the death angel visited the home of

Brother David LaFleur (Over-

seer) and claimed his dear wife,

Jané LaFleur, age 36 years,

Sister Jane was saved, sancti-

fied, filled with the Holy Ghost

and a member of the great

Church of God.

We do not understand, neither

do we question why the Lord

took her away, but we do know

that He doeth all things well.

Many prayers were offered for

her but all without avail.

To know Sister LaFleur was

to love her. The whole Church

mourns the loss of a faithful

member. She leaves to mourn

her death, her husband, eight

children, a baby only nine days

old, five sisters and a host of

relatives and friends, but we

expect to meet her again where

partings come no more.

In a lonely graveyard,

Many miles away,

Lies our precious Sister Jane;

Down beneath old mother

clay.

She is gone but not forgotten,

Never from our memory to

fade;

Loving hearts will always linger

Near the place where she is

laid.

Sleep on Sister Jane,

Sleep on and take your rest;

We love you, yes, we love you,

But Jesus loves you best.

One who dearly loved her,

Sister Victoria Davis.

## BELFORD

On Sunday, October 4, 1925

the death angel visited the home

of Mr. and Mrs. Doren Belford,

3½ miles West of Parma and

claimed their precious baby,

Frank Adrian, age 11 months,

27 days.

All was done that loving

hands could do, but God in His

wisdom took this precious dar-

ling to dwell with Him.

Little Frank was a flower

budded on earth to bloom in

heaven. He leaves to mourn his

death a father, mother, 3 broth-

ers, 1 sister and a host of rela-

tives.

Funeral service was conduct-

ed by Brother Hendrick, and the

remains were laid to rest in the

Parma Cemetery to await the

coming of Christ who said,



## Orphanage Report

OCT. 1 TO NOV. 1

From MAMIE SULLIVAN, Nocatee, Fla.: 1 coat; 1 pr. pants; 1 pr. bloomers.

From MRS. L. J. HATCH, Okeechobee, Fla.: 1 gown; 1 pr. hose; 1 mid-dy; 1 coat; 1 under waist; 5 dresses; 5 prs. pants; 1 skirt; 3 boys' waists; 3 prs. pants; 11 skirts; piece of cloth.

From W. A. SULLIVAN, Nocatee, Fla.: 1/2 gal. guava jelly.

From CHURCH OF GOD, Bassenger, Fla.: 1 wool sweater.

From FORT MYERS, Fla.: 2 cans milk; 2 cans pork and beans; 1 jar tomatoes; 1 box cinnamon; 2 boy's hats; 57 prs. children's shoes; 1 pr. pillow slips; 1 collar; 4 pr. hose; 1 under waist; 1 dress; 2 pr. bloomers; 1 suit underwear; 1 gown; 3 baby skirts; 12 pr. small boy's pants; 3 small waists; 1 princess slip; 1 cotton skirt; 1/2 yd. outing; 2 1/2 yds. percale; 1 yd. bleaching; 1 1/2 yds. edging; 22 pr. boy's drawers. H. J. Jernigan, E. Fort Myers—1 man's under shirt and drawers; 1 tie.

From MRS. S. A. STEPHENS and MRS. E. N. GREEN, Cortez, Fla.: 2 towels; some pieces of underwear; 2 pieces sheets; 5 under waists 4 of them new; 1 boy's cap; 2 dresses; 1 skirt; 9 boy's waists; 9 pr. small pants, 5 of them wool.

From J. B. COLE, Cleveland, Miss.: 13 1/2 lbs. pecans.

From PISCATAWAY SPRING CHURCH, Europa, Miss.: 23 quilt squares.

From CHURCH OF GOD, Toonigh, Ga.: 8 qts. fruit; 5 lbs. dried peaches; 2 pr. pants; 4 cards buttons.

From MRS. LILLIE POARCH, Calhoun, Ga.: 1 pk. pears.

From MRS. E. W. CLAXTON, Ga.: 1 qt. jelly; 3 paper patterns; 1 box buttons, thd., pins and edging; roll of pieces; 1 coat; 1 vest; 1 new mid-dy not made; 1 ripped up skirt; some curtains; 2 pillow slips; 3 under shirts; 2 new towels; 1 pillow tick; 4 yds. outing; 1 pr. drawers; 1 belt; 1 hood; 1 gown; 4 dresses; 1 jacket.

From MRS. E. R. REYNOLDS, Mid-dletown, O.: 2 quilt tops.

From MR. JOHN BECK, Cincinnati, O.: 45 prs. hose.

From SANITARY BAKERY, Cleveland, Tenn.: 52 loaves bread; 22 small pies.

From MR. WALTER JOHNSON, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 boy's overcoat.

From FANNIE J. HOLMES, Goin, Tenn.: 10 yds. gingham in 2 pieces.

From BEN CECIL, Big Springs, Tenn.: 2 1/2 lbs. meat.

From ANNA MILTON, Lupton, Tenn.: 1 new pillow slip and towel.

From T. A. MURRAY, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 gal. B. milk.

From Mr. T. P. Douglas, Cleveland, Tenn.: 2 small rocking chairs.

From Dollie Shubird, Lewis Chapel, Tenn.: 1 new quilt.

From TALBOTT, TENN.: Mrs. J. F. Collett—2 tablets; 2 pencils. Mollie Collett—3 yds. gingham. Clevia Collett—4 tablets; 2 pencils.

From MR. FLORENCE, Cleveland, Tenn.: 9 doz. bannans.

From MRS. J. L. JERNIGAN, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 jar jelly. Mrs. John Jernigan—2 jars jelly.

From MR. J. B. ELLIS, Cleveland, Tenn.: 4 1/2 gal. jars.

From A FRIEND leaving the As-sembly—2 lbs. meal; 2 lbs. sugar; 1 box tooth picks; 1 lb. starch; 2 1/2 lbs. beans; 1 box water colors; 1/2 bar soap; 1 lb. rice; 1 lb. tapioca; 1 box soda; 2 boxes sardines; 16 cans of canned goods; 1 can shoe cleaner; 2 bottles toilet lotions; 1 bottle coloring.

From MR. and MRS. J. E. KNOUFF, Cleveland, Tenn.: 1 girl's coat; about 1/2 bu. nuts.

From MRS. H. L. CALDWELL, Sunburst, N. C.: 1 quilt. Mrs. Verge Ford—1 towel. Mrs. L. H. Styles—7 1/2 yds. gingham in two pieces.

From A SISTER IN N. C. sent by E. C. Ganer—1 pr. pillow slips; 1 scarf; 1 dolly; 3 dresses; 1 yd. shirting; 2 pieces lace; 1 under waist; some scraps; 1 new towel; 1 pr. new hose; some insertion; 6 sacks.

From MRS. MARY REDDECK, Thomasville, N. C.: 12 small sacks; 2 small skirts; some quilt pieces; 1 yd. crocheted lace; 1 card buttons; 1 bar soap; 6 balls string; some sage; 1 box soda; 1 box W. powder; 4 spoons thd.; some elastic; 2 pr. pillow slips; 2 sheets; 1 towel; 1 cap; 3 dresses; 2 waists; 1 bed spread; 1 large sack.

From MRS. BEN HENDERSON, Adamsville, Ala.: 2 pr. shoes. Mrs. H. H. Hayes—3 suits boy's under-wear; 2 under waists; 1 pr. teddies; 1 cap; 4 dresses; 1 pr. sock; 1 pr. baby's knit pants.

From MONROE, LA.: 8 qts. jelly, preserves, pickle and fruit; 3 boxes soap chips; 1 box pancake flour; 1 bx. grits; 3 boxes oats; 1 can beans; 1 can and 1 box cocoanut; 1 can sage and 1 can B. powder; 1 can tomato paste; 2 qt. can syrup; 10 cans vegetables, milk and peaches; 3 boxes starch; 4 cans cocoa; 1 box allspice; 28 bars soap; 3 tubes tooth paste; 1 towel; 3 scarfs; 4 rompers; 1 small wash suit; 1 skirt; 2 dresses; 2 sweaters; 2 waists; some quilt squares; 1 pr. bloomers.

From MRS. Carl Milligan, Preston, Md.: 6 qts. tomatoes; 6 glasses jelly; 6 qts. preserves; 1 qt. cherries; 2 prs. new hose.

### A Revival On in Ohio

DAYTON, Ohio.—A revival is now in progress at this place. Three have been saved and added to the church and one sanctified. Seven were at the altar last Sunday, and three are to be baptized next Sunday.

The power of God is falling in most every service. The signs are following, quiet a number have been healed.

B. D. Landon, Pastor.

### CASH DONATIONS

Oct. 1 to Nov. 1

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### ALL HONOR TO OUR SAVIOUR

PELZER, S. C.—I want to praise the Lord for what He has done for me. Bless His name. I praise Him for a Bible salva-tion. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Bless His dear name.

I mean by the help of God to make heaven my home. Al-though the path seems rough and narrow sometimes and per-secutions hard to bear, I just think of the way Jesus suf-fered for me, and I just keep press-ing on.

Jesus says, Blessed is he that is persecuted for His name sake, so I am glad that I can do a little something for Jesus. Although if I should lay down everything; home, children, husband, and devote the rest of my life to His work, I would not do half as much for Him as He has for me. I can never praise Him enough.

I thank the Lord for giving my husband the Holy Ghost. We are praying for a revival here and desire your prayers that the Lord will send the greatest revival we have ever had.—Mrs. Jennie Jordan.

## REPORT FROM CHURCHES

### The Word Was Given Out in Its Fulness

SYLVATUS, Va.—I am proud to report a good meeting held at River Hill. I cannot express it as it really was, but it was indeed wonderful how the Lord worked throughout the entire meeting. Two were saved and sanctified and many more look-ing this way. The Word was given out in its fulness by Bro. E. J. Hanks. The devil sure did work hard but we did not give up the fight until we won the victory. I attended a meeting at River Hill about a year ago, conducted by Brother Hanks, where I learned of this grand old holiness way.

I love the saints and sinners too, and truly thank God for saving my husband.

Pray for me that I may stand true and do His will, also that my children may receive the Holy Ghost.—Betty Henley.

### Revivals in Louisiana

MONROE, La.—I praise the Lord for salvation and the Church of God, and especially do I praise Him for the church here at Monroe.

Brother T. A. Richard from Alabama City conducted a re-vival here from September, 5-19 and was assisted by our over-seer, Brother G. C. Dunn. We certainly appreciated having Brother Richards with us, as he was our overseer last year. Brother Dunn also preached some wonderful sermons. Satan tried at the beginning to defeat us, but we got the victory at last; one was saved, four sanctified, two received the Holy Ghost, two reclaimed, three fol-lowed the Lord in water baptism and two were added to the Church of God.

We are looking forward to next year as being the greatest year for God and His church at this place and each member wants Brother Dunn here again. Lillian C. Franks.

### On the Battlefield for Souls

PHOENIX, Ariz.—On June 17 we opened fire on the devil and sure had to fight, but after the 2d Sunday the power of God began to fall and souls began to get saved. An infidel was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, who fought the way very hard before this. 8 were saved, 8 sanctified and 9 received the Holy Ghost ac-cording to Acts 2:4 for we heard them speak with other tongues, also 10 were added to the Church of God. Many mir-a-cles were performed through healing. Pray for us that we may stand true to the Church of God, and the Bible.—A. F. Sutter.

### REVIVAL AT JOHNSON CITY, TENNESSEE.

We have just closed a few days meeting at Johnson City, Tenn. The Lord blessed from the very first service, and the interest seemed to increase to the last.

Seven were saved, five sanctified, and six received the Holy Ghost. The church seems to be wonderfully encouraged. On Sunday, Oct. 4, we had Sunday School Rally, and raised some money to pay on the indebted-ness of the church house; the children did their part well and the people responded liberally.

Bro. Geo. E. Bailey has pas-tored the church here this year and he has surely done his best for the church, and the people will remember Bro. Bailey for a long time. We believe his work here will tell in eternity.

The meeting closed with many in the altar and a good interest. Bro. Bailey and I also visited the church at Erwin, Tenn., for two services and found some there with the real blessing and others earnestly seeking.—M. W. Letsinger.

### Revival in Ohio—13 Added to the Church

STRUTHERS, Ohio.—A four weeks revival conducted by Sister Helen L. Morrow of Ak-ron, has just closed at this place, which was a wonderful success. Quiet a number were saved, five were sanctified, five received the Holy Ghost and thirteen added to the Church of God, of which we are thankful.—Gertrude Metcalf.

### Land Donated for Church Building

LARKINSVILLE, ALA.—I have just closed a meeting at Winnegar school house on Cumberland Mt. about four miles from Larkinsville, Ala.

The Lord wonderfully blessed the saints. 1 was saved, 1 sanc-tified, 2 filled with the Holy Ghost, 4 baptized in water and a church was set in order with 16 members. We observed the Lord's supper and feet washing. Fire was handled successfully under the mighty power of God.

We have the land donated to us on which to build a church house and expect to build it soon.

Pray that God will keep this little band in the center of His will.

G. D. Jones.

CIRCLEVILLE, Ohio.—I want to praise the dear Lord this morning for the way He has been blessing me, also the saints at this place.

Last Sunday night we had a wonderful service, the Word was given out with much pow-er and there was shouting and dancing over the house, and one received the Holy Ghost.

If there are any God-sent preachers who wish to come to this place, we would be glad for you to come and hold a meeting for we certainly do need help. Come on and help us. You are welcome.—A. E. Laper and wife, 495 E. Franklin St., Circle-ville, Ohio.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—I want to praise the Lord for the way He is blessing in St. Joseph. We have been having some won-derful meetings and souls are inquiring the way to Zion—The Church of God. Three were added to the Church Monday night and many others are looking this way.

I thank the Lord for the saints here at this place and for the love and unity that prevails. I surely want to be an overcom-er with the wedding garment on and oil in my vessel when the Bridegroom comes.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed since we came here two and one half years ago. He has given us a church building. We are now finishing it on the in-side and expect to have another revival in it as soon as it is finished.

Last spring we had a four-teen weeks revival and the Lord wonderfully blessed with signs and wonders; many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and 23 were added to the church this year. We have lots of true blue Church of God members here who are expecting Jesus to come and are ready to meet Him.

I am sending in ten subscrip-tions to the Evangel. We could not get along without it in our home. Every Church of God member should have it.

Please pray for me and for the work here.—Mrs. T. F. Blackwell.

### What Meaneth These Things

(Continued from page 1)

I never did in summer time when everything should be green. What has caused it? Why, don't you see the fire has burned them? Just look at those great fields of corn, how small and all withered and twisted, surely somebody is going to suffer. Look at these streams they have never been dry before, they tell us; look at that river, I can almost cross it without getting my feet wet. They are suffering here in South and North Carolina just like we are in Georgia. Here we are at Washington, North Carolina. What a beautiful place for the camp meeting. Look at that beautiful forest of oaks, but what is the matter here, worms everywhere you look? Why, they are just literally destroying the foliage of those beautiful oaks. Should we not be dis-turbed about these things? Not at all. The day of the Lord is at hand. Didn't the prophet Joel speak to you about these things? He told about it in the first chapter of Joel about a thousand years ago. Wife, I want you to listen at one more thing, on the first day of July a party of forty people are going

to sail from New York for the foreign world. This party is headed by Holy Ghost filled Jews and they have already arranged for all the crown-heads of the world to receive them. They are going to preach to all the nations and scatter religious literature as they go. While they are in the Holy City they are going to select a place to build the temple and have appropriated two hundred mil-lion dollars for this purpose. You ask what this means. We must be entering the trouble-some times Daniel saw in Dan. 9:25.

Surely as we see these things unfolding to us we need to stay close to God and rely on His Word as the only safe guide to anchor us on the eternal shores of joy and peace.

### CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

To the honor and glory of God in Jesus' sweet name. Greetings to all who love our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. —I am praising God for saving me when my body was afflict-ed; I was sick and tired of sin; was in trouble and distress and my heart was failing me. I cried unto the Lord and He saved and healed me. He also sanctified me in February, 1923. Then I tarried for the precious gift of the Holy Ghost and re-ceived Him in the following July.

I am a member of the Church of God at West Palm Beach, Fla. I am earnestly contending for the faith, trust-ing the Lord for everything. I believe the Lord has all power, and is able to keep me from the evils of this world. Hallelujah! Pray for me. I want to be what God wants me to be, whatever the cost.—W. A. Kee, Riviera, Fla.

### ORPHANS LOOKING FORWARD TO CHRISTMAS

#### Shall They Be Disappointed?

Nannie Ruth Hagewood I imagine I hear hundreds of voices rising in response to the question, no, no, no. They prayed for the Lord to remem-ber them. Last year we had a little prayer meeting together to make known our request un-to the Lord and He touched some good hearts and some solicited buckets of candy, oth-ers nuts, toys etc., and their lit-tle hearts were made glad.

"Blessed is he that consid-ereth the poor; the Lord will de-liver him in time of TROUBLE." "Consider:" To think; ponder; study; to heed; careful, espe-cially of others etc.

Now we know if there is just a little consideration, these motherless ones will not be neglected. Consideration was the turning point of the prodigal's miserable life. When he stopped to think, ponder and study about his father's good bread, it caused him to act; he arose and started. The Scrip-ture teaches, "and when he came to himself," or in other words awoke.

How we need a religious awakening among all today. There are many who would be willing and ready to help, who know nothing of these that are needing their love and help, while there are others who do know and are so busy and en-grossed with business that they

haven't taken time to act in the matter. Suppose some good, wide awake virgin in each local church make a call on the busi-ness men of your town or com-munity and rap, rap, rap on the door till they are awakened. Tell them we have fifty or more little bright-eyed boys and girls over here who are looking for the Lord to supply their needs, and depending on the world for love and protection.

In many of the country places, the good sisters could form a little sewing club; each one take ten cents each week on a cer-tain afternoon, meet together; buy goods, cut and make many little waists, dresses, slips etc., which would make glad their little hearts. They love pretty little clothes. Then listen to the promise: "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again." Prov. 19:17.

You know a good example will always do to follow, so here are several: When we were at Rivie-ra, Florida we suggested the sewing club and Sister Drymon was awake and took the lead. In a few months, they had sol-icited and paid in enough to buy gingham for thirty little dresses, all sizes made up so nice, which came in just as school began and a lot of shoes from Ft. Myers, Florida. May God's richest blessings rest upon ev-ery one of them and many oth-ers who have done the same.

Now they need blankets to every bed. It is cold for the little fellows to crawl in on cold sheets. I feel like the Lord will lay it on someone's heart to solicit some. I think Sister Heath is at work at this now. May God bless her. Some one else rally to the front and help her. I have been hindered from this kind of work on account of being needed to help with the children here in the home for several months, but there are many others I'm sure who will redouble their efforts. While this is true there are many (good?) women, yes and men too, who, when they die will not have many tears shed at their funeral because all the gar-ments they leave behind were made for themselves. Be a Dorcas; industry and help-fulness were the two dominat-ing characteristics of her life, not something she had dreamed of or intended to do. We may possibly imagine we are full of good works because we think of them and plan to do them, but, do we do them? is the question.

I am reminded of a little poem which made an impression on me and caused me to want to act in the cause of Christ. Viz:

Do all the good you can,  
By all the means you can,  
In all the ways you can,  
In all the places you can,  
To all the people you can,  
As long as ever you can.

"But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. Every man ac-cording as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 9:6, 7.

"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name."—Amen.

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## BIBLE Training School

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### THE BIBLE SCHOOL

Now that the Bible School has started and every one seems so enthused and anxious to work, we, of course, feel that many of the Lord's people are praying for us. In fact, many promised while here at the Assembly to pray regularly for the School and we expect nothing less than the blessings of the Lord to be poured out upon us.

For a long time there were some people in the Church of God who prayed for the way to be opened so we could have a school where young ministers could prepare themselves for the great work of the Lord, and at last God has answered and the School is a reality.

We now have 54 students representing several different States and others are expected to arrive soon. Many others would have been with us this term had it not been they were financially unable to attend.

There is no part of the Church's work that is being blessed more than this Bible School.

If you will only come in and see how the Lord is pouring out His Spirit and blessings upon the School you will truly say "The Lord is with us."

When you pray for these precious young men and women remember there are some here who want to be better prepared for the ministry, yet have no money with which to pay their way through School, but like those who in olden times heard the voice of Him that called, they are here looking up to Him who said "I will supply all your need by Christ Jesus."

They are walking by faith, living by faith, and not doubting the Lord in the least. It looks like it would be easy for the pastors of local Churches to have special services and give the brethren and sisters opportunity to make talks about the different departments of the work the Church of God is doing, and when the Bible School is mentioned have a special prayer for all of us, then some one would become so anxious about these precious ones who are laboring and praying to be better prepared that some one would break on his bank account and the pastor would feel like taking an offering right away and these precious ones would be blessed and encouraged to work just a little harder.

If you are one of the members who wants to do something for some one who is trying to do something for himself, please do not neglect this matter and the God of all the earth will reward you.

If you see fit to send an offering for this purpose the amount sent will be entered on our books with the name of the sender also the name of the one who received the offering.

We are in position to know the need of those who are here on faith alone and every penny sent will be used for those who need help.

Send all offerings direct to T. S. Payne, Cleveland, Tenn. c/o Bible Training School.

### Bible Students from Different States

We have gathered from several different states this year to attend the Bible School.

While some of us were strangers at first, we have now become acquainted and feel like one large family and though we spend most of the day and a few of the night hours in the school room, one day sometimes seems as one pleasant hour with us.

The presence of God hovers over us in this school as the pillar of cloud and fire did the Israelites. I have wanted to attend the Bible School ever since I knew there was one, but never could see how it could be possible, so one day while reading and meditating upon Psalms 37:4 where it reads like this: "Delight thyself also in the Lord; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart." I de-

cided to take God at His Word; and just continued in thanksgiving before Him and can say now, unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, be glory and honor.

The beauty of our school is Faith, Hope and Charity. Several of us came trusting God to supply our need, to take us through with our hope set on things above, so by believing and hoping for those things that are not yet seen, we wonder what the end will be, for He has said "I will never leave nor forsake thee." So we are sure of God's presence and abiding Spirit. Only this a. m. in our morning prayer, it seemed like a revival had broken out. Truly it is good to be here. There are quite a few of us here, but can make room for more. We have things common, decent and in order. Praise God.

Brother Payne and Sister Moore, our teachers, are highly appreciated and esteemed by the school for their work's sake, also Brother Robinson, who is taking much interest in teaching vocal music. Pray for the Bible School.—An interested student. Josephine Walker.

### The Bible School Increasing in Interest

I praise the Lord for salvation that makes us free from sin and all its defilements; that keeps us happy and glad, also gives us assurance in our hearts that we are the children of God.

I want to praise God that on the morning of November 2, the Bible School opened at the time appointed and we were privileged to be here.

The school opened with songs and prayers, then Brother F. J. Lee gave us a very interesting lecture on how God has led in establishing the Bible School. He spoke of the school of the sons of the prophets being a place of safety for David when Saul sought to kill him. He also told of how some people misuse the Scripture: "Open thy mouth and I will fill it," but the Scripture reads: "Open thy mouth wide and I will fill it."—speaking directly of prayer and not of preaching, and many other things he said that were very profitable to all present.

Brother Payne then began his task arranging the classes, and the presence of the Lord came down. Truly we are now enjoying a great school. The first week was good and on Monday following, Brother Marks made a talk which was interesting. We invite him again.

We are so glad to be in the school. It is a place of learning for all who attend. Our teachers are doing their best.

We begin at 8:30 a. m. with prayer and singing, then our lessons in course; prayer at noon; begin with prayer at 1:00 p. m. and close with prayer at 3:30 p. m. Sometimes we shout and rejoice, other times we cry and rejoice. Oh! I feel that it is good to be here.

We had a good time in Texas this year, and met many friends. God surely blessed us, and the saints were so good to us and have already begun to send us help to go through the School. May the Lord bless them. Now we are really in the Bible School doing what we can to get better prepared to lead people to God.

At the Assembly, in 1923, Sister Armstrong paid my way through School, also Sister Maggie Free, who is now Mrs. P. W. Chesser, and she wrote me a short while before she died that she was glad she helped us, for instead of one, we could be in two places winning souls for God after she was gone, so we are both doing our best to finish the course that we may be better qualified to do service on the battlefield.

J. M. Baldree, Bible Student, Cleveland, Tenn. c/o Bible School.

### Presence of the Lord Manifested in School Room

I feel thankful this morning that I have the privilege of being in the Church of God Bible School.

As I look about over the room I see many students with their faces toward the sacred Book of which we are studying to learn more of our Saviour's love and to prepare for the battle against sin and Satan.

Each time as we enter the schoolroom we feel the sacred presence of the Lord. Our school was fine last term but we think it better this term.

Our Bible teacher is fine, also we have a good teacher teaching the literary course, but the best of all we have the Holy Ghost to lead us into all truth.

Every young man and woman who feels the call of God, should try to attend this school. You may say: "I would like to go if I were financially able." Say, our God is able to supply your needs if you will trust Him. The Lord is honoring this school in many ways and we have students here from many different states.

We shout, sing, dance and talk in tongues and study God's Word together. The Bible says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Those of you who read this, pray for us. There are two or three students here who have no money, just trusting God for their needs to be supplied, pray for them, then if He whispers to you to help answer your prayer, don't fail to heed His voice. May the Lord bless you.—Harry L. Whittington, a student.

### New Church Building

SELECT, Ky.—I praise God for the Evangel. The good testimonies are food to my soul. I praise Him for the light on His Word, for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. He also added me to the dear Church of God which will stand forever.

How I praise Him for His healing power. He has healed me many times. He has been our family doctor four years. Praise His name.

My husband, three children and I are members of the Church of God. I have two unsaved boys, please pray for them. Pray that I will do more for Jesus in the future than I have in the past.

We have only a few saints here, and desire your prayers that the means will be furnished to finish paying for a new church building. I believe God will help us get out of debt. We intend to hold His Word up in full and not lower the standard one bit. I mean to be true to the Church of God.

Oh how my heart aches for lost souls. If I could only say or do something that would cause people to come to Christ. Saints, let us live the life. That will bring more to Jesus than anything we can do or say.

Pray that I will stay at the foot of the cross.

If any of our friends scattered abroad feel led to help us on our church, send your contributions to the clerk, L. A. Allen, Select, Ky.

Mrs. L. A. Allen.

HIGH SPLINT, Ky.—I praise God for old time religion, that makes us shout when we get happy. Thank God! Some people do not believe in this good old way, but I do and I have a full determination to go all the way.

Sometimes the way gets so dark it seems that we can go no further, then if we get down on our knees and look to God, He will carry us through.

Brother Dodd delivered a wonderful message Sun., Sept. 20. It was food to my soul and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

I have been in this way about 4 years, and am not tired of the way. I have been a member of the Church of God over 2 years. I love her teachings. She will shine like gold when this world is on fire.

I praise God for the Evangel. Let us pray more one for another.

Pray for my unsaved husband and daughters.

Your sister in Christ, Arthia Ramey.

## Hands Full of Honey

B. E. Drummond

"Then went Samson down, and his father and his mother, to Timnath, and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold, a young lion roared against him."

And the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased Samson well.

And after a time he returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carcass of the lion; and, behold, there was a swarm of bees and honey in the carcass of the lion.

And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and he gave them, and they did eat." Judges 14:5-9.

Samson had been down to Timnath, and had seen a woman down there that pleased him very much; and although the old folks tried to discourage the idea of their son taking a woman of the Philistines, still Samson insisted that he wanted her; so it seems that he finally prevailed for we find that they are going down there with him.

### A Young Lion Roared Against Him.

As they were passing through the vineyards of Timnath, a lion came out against Samson, roaring as he came. The lion has been called the "King of beasts" on account of his great strength—and a lion is so strong that he can easily overcome a strong man or woman; in fact a person's chances for escape are slim when they are attacked by one of these ferocious beasts. Poor Samson, it begins to look like he would never get to see his sweetheart again.

There is a fallen or depraved nature in mankind of which a lion is a very fitting type, for right at the time a person is desiring to think about large clusters of juicy grapes and marriage suppers, this lion, the "Carnal Mind, or the Old Man" will rise up, and roar.

There are many ways in which a person may see or feel the presence of the lion; but perhaps one of the most common is what we usually call a High Temper. A person may be living in a way that the Lord can bless them richly, but if that bad temper is in the person it will rise up when something goes wrong, and after it has roared it is then too late to try to keep its presence a secret, for others probably heard it roar.

There is also a lion of Selfishness, which desires all the honor for everything, seeks the very best seat at the service, desires the very best of everything, and many times roars if he does not get it; but whether he roars or not, he is a lion just the same.

Then there is the lion of Jealousy, which gets jealous of the preacher that can preach better than he can, or who has better success than he; jealous of wife if she speaks friendly to some other man, jealous of husband if he is called to pray for some sister that is sick, and he does not take the lion along, and many other things. Oh that lion!

The next that I will mention is the lion of Pride. There is no harm in a person shining their shoes, cleaning and pressing their clothes, washing their neck and ears once in a while, and combing their hair; for God does not want His sanctified children to look like a lot of dirty bums; but the harm comes in feeling exalted or high headed because of the fact that a person does excel in some way. It is easy for the lion of Pride to lurk in a person's vineyard, and the victim scarcely knows it until his spiritual strength is gone.

A lion has what we might call whiskers, and although they are nothing more or less than some hairs growing on his nose, still they are a part of the lion. Brethren did you ever stand on the corner and seem to have an

inclination to watch the women folks climb aboard a street car? That was the whiskers of the lion of Lust. There are many other ways in which the lion may manifest himself, but space will not permit us to go into details about them all.

### He Rent Him

Just about the time that it looked like the lion was going to kill Samson, the Spirit of the Lord came upon him and he killed the lion. He did not just merely cripple the lion and leave him to recover, but when he got through with him he left him in a condition that he would never roar again, dead. Now Jesus is our Samson, and if we have been having struggles with the lion of a depraved nature we should give Him a chance to deliver us. "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate." Heb. 13:12. He can kill that disposition stone dead, and if we will walk in the light of His Word, it will never roar again.

### Honey in the Carcass.

The next time Samson went down that way he stopped to see the carcass of the lion with which he had such a conflict, and found that the lion was still dead, he had not kicked. And as he drew very near he noticed something else about the lion; in the same place from which he had emanated all that growling and roaring before, he now heard a sweet, gentle humming, and after starting to investigate it was not long until his hands were sticky with the honey, which a swarm of bees had made.

I imagine I can see Samson as he breaks out three large pieces of nice clear honey-comb, with every cell filled with sweetness; and starts on his way eating from one piece and giving his parents each a piece. Yum, yum, yum.

Dear people of God, in the very same place where a high temper, selfishness, jealousy, pride, lust, etc. abides, we can have a sweet, gentle loving disposition, which is so much needed in these last days. Instead of having growling and grumbling, we may have buzzing and humming, and not only have sweetness for ourselves, but we may have to impart to others. The most important part is to be sure that the lion is dead. "The carnal mind has been left behind, it is almost too good to be true, The Old Man is gone, let him travel on, it is almost too good to be true."

### WHAT GOD DID FOR ME

I really want to thank and praise God this morning for His great power to save men and women. I thank and praise Him because His Spirit talked to this heart of mine and so convicted me of sin that I sought Him with all my heart, soul, mind and body and found Him precious to my soul. I praise Him this morning for the deep settled peace that I have in my soul. I realize that I have something that the world won't have and that the world can't understand. He brought me out of the miry clay, and put my feet on the Rock to stay, glory to God. How I praise Him because the Blood was sufficient to wash the clay off, and leave our souls spotless, whiter than the snow. I am so thankful this morning that the Holy

Spirit still abides in my soul.

I have two little ones on the other shore that some day I expect to meet, for Jesus says suffer little children to come to Him, and except we become as little children we will never gain that home. So I praise Him who is the author and finisher of our faith that I am on the way that Jesus went. Glory to God. It is marked out with His precious blood and there is no unclean thing going to pass over. We have to be clean and holy before God if we ever enter in. Praise His name forever. I have three children in this way and I praise God for it. I ask Him daily to let me live such a life that will please Him. There is nothing in the world for me, because He said we were not of the world even as He was not of the world.

I have a deep determination to go all the way with God and at last meet Jesus face to face some day and hear Him say, Come up higher. I mean to wear the crown of glory. So pray for me that I may ever do God's will and gain that sweet home where there is no more tears, sorrow and pain.—Lula M. Curry, Delbarton, W. Va.

### HEALED OF STOMACH TROUBLE

VERBENA, Ala.—I want to sound a note of praise because Jesus saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. Praise His name forever.

About one year ago the Lord healed me of stomach trouble, when all medicine failed. I sent to Sister Woodworth Etter for an anointed handkerchief. When we received it, I laid it on my afflicted body and prayed and was healed. I have had no trouble since. Praise the Lord. Since then the Lord added me to the Church of God for which I am standing four-square. Praise His name.

The devil is very strong here, but the Lord is able to carry me through. Pray for my daughter who has the Holy Ghost, also for me, that we may do the Lord's will.—Catherine Mootes.

### A Help in Time of Need

JESUP, Ga.—As I read the dear Evangel and enjoy the good news of the great work that is being done in our Saviour's name, I feel impressed to sound a note of praise to Him for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. He still abides.

I praise the Lord for His healing power. I have trusted Him over four years. He has also healed my children, for which I thank Him with all my heart.

I am glad that when we are in trouble, if we humble ourselves in fasting and prayer He will come to our rescue. I find Him a very present help in time of need.

A sister in Christ, Mrs. Maude Phillips.

SILVER POINT, Tenn.—I am praising God this morning for all He is to me. I certainly praise Him for saving me from a life of sin, and that He showed me the way of holiness.

I would to God that everyone would get in the old paths and walk in the light.

Brother C. H. Martin has just closed a five days meeting at this place. Two were saved and three received the Holy Ghost, the power of God was manifested and much interest was shown.—B. H. Womack.

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